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Mail Stop Amendment

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed November 25, 2005, applicant elects the invention of Species IV drawn to the embodiment of at least a bottom portion of the retainer including semi-crystalline thermoplastic polyester. The following claims are readable on the elected species: 1-2, 4-11, 13-24, 29-30, 34, and 40. Independent claims 1, 14, 21 and 29 are generic. Claims 23, 31-33, 35-39 and 41 are withdrawn (claim 23 was withdrawn in response to the restriction of November 16, 2004). The election is made without traverse.

Please note that pending claim 30 should not have been withdrawn in response to the restriction of November 16, 2004. Claim 30 was generic to Species I and II in that restriction.

In summary, claims 1-2, 4-11, 13-22, 24, 29-30, 34 and 40 should now be examined.

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